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**OFFICIAL****PATENT****SERIAL No. 10/086,518****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: ERICKSON, Vernon D                      Examiner: LEA EDMONDS, Lisa S.  
Filed: February 28, 2004                              Art Unit: 2835  
Docket No.: P1631US01  
Title: HINGED MOUNTING FOR MULTIPLE STORAGE DRIVES

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Box Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action dated August 27, 2003, extending the due date from November 27, 2003 to February 27, 2004.

In accordance with the Transmittal Sheet attached herewith, please charge the appropriate extension fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0439.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 20, 2004

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